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Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Re:

Application Serial No. 09/227,881

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Nucleic Acids, Kits and Methods for the Diagnosis,

Prognosis and Treatment of Glaucoma and Related

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Sir:

Inventors:
Our Ref: 07425.0057.USuu

The following documents are forwarded herewith for appropriate action by the U.S. and Trademark Office:

Disclosure Statement; Patent and Trademark Office:

- Form PTO-1449 (1 pages with 3 attached references); and
- 3. Return postcard.

It is respectfully requested that the attached postcard be stamped with the filing date of these documents and returned to our courier. In the event that extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned.

The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 08-3038. A duplicate copy of this letter is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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Enclosures

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Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement

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Sir:

The attention of the Examiner is invited to the documents listed on the attached Form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed documents are attached.

It is respectfully requested that the information above be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and that the references be made of record therein and appear among the "References Cited" on any patent to issue therefrom.

CERTIFICATION AND/OR FEE

Since this Information Disclosure Statement is being submitted prior to issuance of the first action on the merits or within three months of the U.S. filing date of the above-captionéd application, no certification or fee is required.

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